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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 7, 2008 OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to a February 7, 2008 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the February 7, 2008 Office Action was originally due March 7, 2008. Applicants have previously established small entity status and hereby petition for a five-month extension of time. The fee for a five-month extension of time for a small entity is ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$1,115.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a five-month extension of time, a response to the February 7, 2008 Office Action is due August 7, 2008. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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